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THE WIZ - Photos and Video

ST. LOUIS (June 20, 2018) – Below are links to photos and video from The Muny’s centennial season production of *The Wiz*, Tuesday, June 19, 2018. Attendance for the opening night performance was 6,758. *The Wiz* is proudly sponsored by Wells Fargo Advisors.

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Based on L. Frank Baum’s nostalgic classic, *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*, *The Wiz* is considered a feel-good favorite sparkling with heart-pounding soul, unforgettable gospel and infectious rock rhythms. Grammy Award-winner for Best Cast Show Album and ranked as one of the highest watched live television musicals, this reimagined familiar favorite will have you ready to “Ease on Down the Road” to meet The Wiz for yourself!

The exceptionally talented cast includes Danyel Fulton (*Dorothy*), Nathan Lee Graham (*The Wiz*), Jared Grimes (*Scarecrow*), Darius de Haas (*Lion*), James T. Lane

(Tinman), E. Faye Butler (*Addaperle/Evillene*), Demetria McKinney (*Glinda/Aunt Em*) and Nessa (*Toto*). A sensational ensemble completes this cast, including Akilah Ayanna, Rhaamell Burke-Missouri, Kevin Curtis, Chloé Davis, Timothy L. Edwards, Chavon Hampton, Cameron Anika Hill, Karma Jenkins, Amber Barbee Pickens, Malaiyka Reid, Allysa Shorte, Donald Shorter Jr., Voltaire Wade-Greene, Sir Brock Warren, Nathaniel J. Washington and Brion Marquis Watson. The company is also joined by the Muny Kid and Teen youth ensembles.

An outstanding creative team leads this production with direction by Denis Jones, choreography by Camille A. Brown, music direction by Darryl Archibald, scenic design by Edward E. Haynes Jr., costume design by Leon Dobkowski, lighting design by Rob Denton, sound design by John Shivers and David Patridge, video design by Greg Emetaz, wig design by Leah J. Loukas, with animals trained by William Berloni Theatrical Animals, Inc. and production stage management by Nancy Uffner.

The seven shows in the 2018 Muny season are: **Jerome Robbins' Broadway** (June 11-17), **The Wiz** (June 19-25), **Singin' in the Rain** (June 27-July 3), **Jersey Boys** (July 9-16), **Annie** (July 18-25), **Gypsy** (July 27-August 2) and **Meet Me In St. Louis** (August 4-12). For more information, visit muny.org.

Tickets are currently on sale for this historic season. In addition, Muny gift cards for the 100th season are now available online and at The Muny Box Office. For more information, visit muny.org or call (314) 361-1900.

World Wide Technology and The Steward Family Foundation have once again made a leadership gift to continue as the Muny's 2018 Season Presenting Sponsor. They became the first overall season sponsor in the history of The Muny in 2014 and continue that role through 2018.

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